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# UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

| In re:                      | : Chapter 11              |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| PURDUE PHARMA L.P., et al., | : Case No. 19-23649 (SHL) |
| Debtors. <sup>1</sup>       | : (Jointly Administered)  |

# SUMMARY COVER SHEET TO THE TENTH INTERIM FEE APPLICATION OF COLE SCHOTZ P.C. AS CO-COUNSEL TO THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS OF PURDUE PHARMA L.P., ET AL., FOR ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED

<sup>1</sup> The Debtors in these cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's registration number in the applicable jurisdiction, are as follows: Purdue Pharma L.P. (7484), Purdue Pharma Inc. (7486), Purdue Transdermal Technologies L.P. (1868), Purdue Pharma Manufacturing L.P. (3821), Purdue Pharmaceuticals L.P. (0034), Imbrium Therapeutics L.P. (8810), Adlon Therapeutics L.P. (6745), Greenfield BioVentures L.P. (6150), Seven Seas Hill Corp. (4591), Ophir Green Corp. (4594), Purdue Pharma of Puerto Rico (3925), Avrio Health L.P. (4140), Purdue Pharmaceutical Products L.P. (3902), Purdue Neuroscience Company (4712), Nayatt Cove Lifescience Inc. (7805), Button Land L.P. (7502), Rhodes Associates L.P. (N/A), Paul Land Inc. (7425), Quidnick Land L.P. (7584), Rhodes Pharmaceuticals L.P. (6166), Rhodes Technologies (7143), UDF L.P. (0495), SVC Pharma L.P. (5717) and SVC Pharma Inc. (4014). The Debtors' corporate headquarters is located at One Stamford Forum, 201 Tresser Boulevard, Stamford, CT 06901.

# AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH AND INCLUDING APRIL 30, 2023

In accordance with the Local Bankruptcy Rules for the Southern District of New York, Cole Schotz P.C. ("Cole Schotz"), co-counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") of Purdue Pharma L.P. and its affiliated debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors") submits this summary (the "Summary") of fees and expenses sought as actual, reasonable and necessary in the fee application to which the Summary is attached (the "Application")<sup>2</sup> for the period from January 1, 2023 through and including April 30, 2023 (the "Compensation Period").

Cole Schotz submits the Application as its ninth interim fee application in accordance with the *Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for Retained Professionals*, dated November 21, 2019 [ECF No. 529] (the "Interim Compensation Order").

### General Information

Name of Applicant: Cole Schotz P.C.

Authorized to Provide Services to:

The Official Committee of Unsecured

Creditors of Purdue Pharma L.P., et al.

Petition Date: September 15, 2019

Retention Date: April 22, 2020, nunc pro tunc to February 24,

2020

Prior Applications: 9

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used but not defined in the Summary shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Application.

#### Summary of Fees and Expenses Sought in this Application

Time Period Covered by this Application: January 1, 2023 through and including April

30, 2023

Amount of Compensation Sought as Actual,

Reasonable and Necessary for the

Compensation Period:

\$201,997.00

Amount of Expense Reimbursement Sought as Actual, Reasonable and Necessary for the

Compensation Period:

\$1,721.80

Voluntary Fee Waiver in this Compensation

Period:

\$20,199.70

Total Compensation and Expenses Requested

for the Compensation Period:

\$183,519.10

#### Summary of Past Requests for Compensation and Prior Payments

Total Compensation Approved by Interim \$22,063,179.67

Order to Date:

Total Expenses Approved by Interim Order to \$4,745.60

Date:

Total Compensation Paid to Date: \$22,139,165.59

Total Expenses Paid to Date: \$7,008.20

Compensation Sought in this Application Already Paid Pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order But Not Yet Allowed (80% of Fees for the period from January 1,

2023 through and including April 30, 2023):

Expenses Sought in this Application Already

Paid Pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order But Not Yet Allowed (100% of

Expenses for the period from January 1, 2023 through and including April 30, 2023):

Total Compensation and Expenses Sought in

this Application Already Paid Pursuant to the Interim Compensation Order But Not Yet Allowed:

\$1,708.80

\$75,958.92

\$77,694.72

Total Compensation and Expenses Sought in \$105,824.38

this Application Not Yet Paid:

| Summary of Timekeepers and Rates in this Ap   | pplication                              |
|---|---|
| Blended Rate in this Application for All Attorneys:   | \$623.70                                |
| Blended Rate in this Application for All Timekeepers:                                       | \$611.74                                |
| Number of Timekeepers Included in this Application:   | 8 (7 attorneys; and 1 paraprofessional) |
| Number of Attorneys Billing Fewer than 15 Hours to the Case During the Compensation Period: | 2                                       |
| Increase in Rates Since Date of Retention:  | Yes <sup>3</sup>                        |
| Interim or Final Application:   | Interim                                 |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Cole Schotz increased its rates on September 1, 2022, consistent with its customary practice and as disclosed in Cole Schotz's retention application. *See* ECF No. 1013. Cole Schotz filed a notice of such rate increase on August 29, 2022. *See* ECF No. 5043.

### **SUMMARY OF MONTHLY FEE STATEMENTS**

| ECF<br>Number | Period<br>Covered      | Fees Requested | Expenses<br>Requested | Fees Paid   | Expenses Paid | Total Unpaid |
|---------------|------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| 5521          | 1/1/23<br>-<br>1/31/23 | \$55,864.35    | \$1,708.80            | \$44,691.48 | \$1,708.80    | \$11,172.87  |
| 5585          | 2/1/23<br>-<br>2/28/23 | \$39,118.05    | \$0.00                | \$31,294.44 | \$0.00        | \$7,823.61   |
| 5655          | 3/1/23<br>-<br>3/31/23 | \$46,795.50    | \$3.00                | \$0.00      | \$0.00        | \$46,798.50  |
| 5717          | 4/1/23<br>-<br>4/30/23 | \$40,019.40    | \$10.00               | \$0.00      | \$0.00        | \$40,029.40  |
| Totals        |                        | \$181,797.30   | \$2,091.60            | \$75,958.92 | \$1,708.80    | \$105,824.38 |

Summary of Any Objections to Monthly Fee Statements: None

Compensation and Expenses Sought in This Application Not Yet Paid: \$105,824.38

### COMPENSATION BY PROFESSIONAL JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH AND INCLUDING APRIL 30, 2023

| Name of<br>Professional<br>Person | Date of Bar<br>Admission                    | Position with the<br>Applicant and<br>Number of Years<br>in that Position | Hourly Billing<br>Rate | Total Billed<br>Hours | Total<br>Compensation |
|-----------------------------------|---|---|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Justin R. Alberto                 | 2008  | Member (Bankruptcy) (since 2020)  | \$740.00               | 29.1                  | \$21,534.00           |
| Patrick J. Reilley                | 2003  | Member (Bankruptcy) (since 2011)  | \$730.00               | 3.2                   | \$2,336.00            |
| Anthony De Leo                    | 2013  | Associate<br>(Bankruptcy)<br>(since 2020)                                 | \$685.00               | 207.8                 | \$142,343.00          |
| Ian R. Phillips                   | 2015  | Associate (Litigation) (since 2016)                                       | \$480.00               | 15.6                  | \$7,488.00            |
| Jack M. Dougherty                 | 2021  | Associate<br>(Bankruptcy)<br>(since 2020)                                 | \$400.00               | 20.5                  | \$8,200.00            |
| Michael E. Fitzpatrick            | 2022  | Associate<br>(Bankruptcy)<br>(since 2020)                                 | \$400.00               | 5.6                   | \$2,240.00            |
| Conor D. McMullan                 | 2019  | Associate<br>(Bankruptcy)<br>(since 2022)                                 | \$375.00               | 33.7                  | \$12,637.50           |
| Larry Morton                      | N/A   | Paralegal<br>(Bankruptcy)<br>(since 2020)                                 | \$355.00               | 14.7                  | \$\$5,218.50          |
| TOTAL                             |   |   |                        | 330.2                 | \$201,997.00          |
| Less                              | Less Voluntary Reduction (10%) <sup>4</sup> |   |                        |                       | (\$20,199.70)         |
| Total Requested                   |   |   |                        |                       | \$181,797.30          |

<sup>4</sup> Effective January 1, 2022, Cole Schotz agreed to reduce its monthly fees incurred in this matter by ten-percent (10%).

# TOTAL FEES FOR THE COMPENSATION PERIOD

| Professionals                       | Blended Rate | Total Hours Billed | Total Commongation                 |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| Partners                            | \$692.27     | 240.1              | Total Compensation<br>\$166,213.00 |
| Senior Counsel & Counsel            | N/A          | 0.0                | \$0.00                             |
| Associates                          | \$405.38     | 75.4               | \$30,565.50                        |
| Paraprofessionals                   | \$355.00     | 14.7               | \$5,218.50                         |
| Blended Attorney<br>Rate            | \$623.70     |                    |                                    |
| Blended Rate for All<br>Timekeepers | \$611.74     |                    |                                    |
| Total Hours / Fees Reque            | ested:       | 330.2              | \$201,997.00                       |
| Less Voluntary Reduction            | n (10%):     |                    | (\$20,199.70)                      |
| Total Requested:                    |              |                    | \$181,797.30                       |

# COMPENSATION BY PROJECT CATEGORY JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH AND INCLUDING APRIL 30, 2023

|  | Total           |                  |
|--|-----------------|------------------|
| Matter   | Hours<br>Billed | Total Value (\$) |
| Asset Dispositions, Sales, Use, and Leases (Section 363) | 1.7             | \$1,164.50       |
| Case Administration                                      | 0.8             | \$399.50         |
| Committee Matters and Creditor Meetings                  | 24.2            | \$16,936.50      |
| Creditor Inquiries                                       | 1.8             | \$1,321.00       |
| Fee Application Matters/Objections                       | 37.4            | \$16,403.50      |
| General  | 2.5             | \$937.50         |
| Litigation/Gen. (Except Automatic Stay Relief)           | 159.8           | \$108,275.50     |
| Preferences and Avoidance Actions                        | 0.8             | \$300.00         |
| Preparation for and Attendance at Hearings               | 2.1             | \$1,328.50       |
| Prepare for and Conduct Interview and Depositions        | 99.1            | \$54,930.50      |
| TOTAL:   | 330.2           | \$201,997.00     |
| Less Voluntary Reduction (10%):                          |                 | (\$20,199.70)    |
| Total Requested:   |                 | \$181,797.30     |

# EXPENSE SUMMARY JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH AND INCLUDING APRIL 30, 2023

| Disbursement Activity            | Amount (\$) |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Photocopying/Printing/Scanning   | \$32.00     |
| Travel – Air Fare                | \$720.80    |
| Travel - Lodging                 | \$969.00    |
| <b>Total Expenses Requested:</b> | \$1,721.80  |

### TRAVEL EXPENSE SUMMARY

| Date of Charge | Amount            | Expense Description                            | Timekeeper     |  |  |
|----------------|-------------------|--|----------------|--|--|
| 11/08/2022     | \$315.00          | Return Flight from Deposition of Linda Schultz | Anthony De Leo |  |  |
| 11/11/2022     | \$969.00          | Hotel Room for Deposition of Linda Schultz     | Anthony De Leo |  |  |
| 1/24/2023      | \$405.80          | Flights for Deposition of Sonia<br>Odarczenko  | Anthony De Leo |  |  |
| To             | Total: \$1,689.80 |  |                |  |  |

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| In re:                   |                      | :      | Chapter 11              |
|--------------------------|----------------------|--------|-------------------------|
| PURDUE PHARMA L.P., et a | ıl.,                 | :<br>: | Case No. 19-23649 (SHL) |
| De                       | ebtors. <sup>1</sup> | :      | (Jointly Administered)  |

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TENTH INTERIM FEE APPLICATION OF COLE SCHOTZ P.C. AS CO-COUNSEL TO THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS OF PURDUE PHARMA L.P., ET AL., FOR ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH AND INCLUDING APRIL 30, 2023

Cole Schotz P.C. ("Cole Schotz"), co-counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") of Purdue Pharma, L.P. and its affiliated debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors"), hereby submits its tenth interim application (the "Application"), pursuant to sections 330(a) and 331 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), Rule 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules") and Rule 2016-1 of the Local Bankruptcy Rules for the Southern District of New York (the "Local Bankruptcy Rules"), requesting interim allowance of compensation for services rendered to the Committee for the period of January 1, 2023 through and including April 30, 2023 (the "Compensation Period") and for reimbursement of expenses incurred in connection therewith. In support of this Application, Cole Schotz submits the declaration of Justin R. Alberto, a member of Cole Schotz (the "Alberto Declaration"), which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference into this Application. In further support of this Application, Cole Schotz respectfully states as follows.

#### **INTRODUCTION**

1. By this Application, Cole Schotz seeks: (i) interim allowance of compensation for the professional services rendered by Cole Schotz during the Compensation Period in the amount of \$181,797.30<sup>2</sup> representing 315.50 hours of professional services and 14.7 hours of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Effective January 1, 2022, Cole Schotz agreed to reduce its monthly fees incurred in this matter by tenpercent (10%).

paraprofessional and other non-legal services; and (ii) reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses incurred by Cole Schotz during the Compensation Period in the amount of \$1,721.80.

- 2. This Application has been prepared in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Bankruptcy Rules, the *Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for Retained Professionals*, dated November 21, 2019 [ECF No. 529] (the "Interim Compensation Order"), the Amended Guidelines for Fees and Disbursements for Professionals in the Southern District of New York (June 17, 2013) promulgated pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-1(a) (the "Local Guidelines") and the United States Trustee's *Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed Under 11 U.S.C. § 330 for Attorneys in Larger Chapter 11 Cases*, 78 Fed. Reg. 36248, effective as of November 1, 2013 (the "U.S. Trustee Guidelines" and, together with the Local Guidelines, the "Fee Guidelines").
- 3. The Chair (as defined below) of the Committee has been given the opportunity to review this Application and has approved the compensation and reimbursement of expenses requested herein.

#### JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 4. This Court has jurisdiction over this Application pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334. Approval of this Application is a core proceeding within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2).
  - 5. Venue in this Court is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.
- 6. The statutory bases for the relief requested herein are Bankruptcy Code sections 330 and 331, Bankruptcy Rule 2016 and Local Bankruptcy Rule 2016-1.

#### **BACKGROUND**

#### A. The Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases

- 7. On September 15, 2019 (the "<u>Petition Date</u>"), each of the Debtors filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors continue to operate their businesses as debtors in possession pursuant to Bankruptcy Code sections 1107(a) and 1108. The Debtors' chapter 11 cases (the "<u>Chapter 11 Cases</u>") are jointly administered for procedural purposes only. No trustee or examiner has been appointed in the Chapter 11 Cases.
- 8. On September 26, 2019 (the "Formation Date"), the Office of the United States Trustee for Region 2 (the "U.S. Trustee") appointed the Committee pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1102(a). See Notice of Appointment of Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, dated September 27, 2019 [ECF No. 131]; and Second Amended Verified Statement of the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of Purdue Pharma L.P., et al. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2019 to Disclosure Addition of Third Ex Officio Member [ECF No. 1294]. The Committee currently comprises nine members and three ex officio members.<sup>3</sup> Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association and Ryan Hampton serve as co-chairs of the Committee (the "Co-Chairs").

#### **B.** Retention of Cole Schotz

9. On April 3, 2020, the Committee filed the Application of the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of Purdue Pharma L.P. to Retain and Employ Cole Schotz P.C. as Co-Counsel, Nunc Pro Tunc to February 24, 2020 [ECF No. 1013] (the "Cole Schotz Retention"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Committee currently comprises the following members: (i) Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association (the "<u>Chair</u>"); (ii) CVS Caremark Part D Services L.L.C. and CaremarkPCS Health L.L.C.; (iii) Cheryl Juaire; (iv) Kara Trainor; (v) LTS Lohmann Therapy Systems Corporation; (vi) Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation; (vii) Walter Lee Salmons; and (viii) West Boca Medical Center, plus two *ex officio* members, Cameron County, Texas on behalf of the Multi-State Governmental Entities Group, the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, on behalf of certain Native American Tribes and Native American-affiliated creditors and Thornton Township High School District 205 on behalf of certain public school districts.

<u>Application</u>"), which was granted by an order of this Court dated April 24, 2020 [ECF No. 1084] (the "Cole Schotz Retention Order").<sup>4</sup>

10. The Cole Schotz Retention Order authorizes the Committee to retain and employ Cole Schotz as its co-counsel in the Chapter 11 Cases in accordance with Cole Schotz's normal hourly rates and disbursement policies, *nunc pro tunc* to February 24, 2020, all as contemplated by the Cole Schotz Retention Application. The Cole Schotz Retention Order further authorizes Cole Schotz to be compensated on an hourly basis and to be reimbursed for actual and necessary out-of-pocket expenses.

#### **C.** Monthly Fee Statements

11. On March 30, 2023, Cole Schotz filed and served the *Thirty-Fifth Monthly Fee Statement of Cole Schotz P.C. for Compensation for Services Rendered and Reimbursement of Expenses as Co-Counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors for the Period from January 1, 2023 Through January 31, 2023* [ECF No. 5521] (the "Thirty-Fifth Monthly Fee Statement"),<sup>5</sup> pursuant to which Cole Schotz sought payment of (i) \$55,864.35 as compensation for professional services rendered and (ii) \$1,708.80 for reimbursement of expenses. The objection deadline for the Thirty-Fifth Monthly Fee Statement expired on April 13, 2023.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The Committee selected Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP ("<u>Akin Gump</u>") to serve as its lead counsel, Bayard, P.A ("<u>Bayard</u>") to serve as its "efficiency" counsel, Province, Inc. ("<u>Province</u>") to serve as its financial advisor, Jefferies LLC ("<u>Jefferies</u>") to serve as its investment banker, Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC ("<u>KCC</u>") to serve as its information agent, and KPMG LLP ("<u>KPMG</u>") to serve as joint tax consultant to the Committee and the Debtors on September 29, 2019, October 1, 2019 and October 4, 2019, November 1, 2019, and December 23, 2019, respectively. Orders authorizing the retention of Bayard [ECF No. 523], Province [ECF No. 524], Jefferies [ECF No. 526] and KCC [ECF No. 527] were entered on November 21, 2019, and an order authorizing the retention of KPMG was entered on February 24, 2020 [ECF No. 867]. As disclosed in the *Notice of Change of Firm and Substitution of Counsel*, dated March 6, 2020 [ECF No. 900], on February 24, 2020, the Committee engaged Cole Schotz as substitute efficiency counsel.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> A copy of the Thirty-Fifth Monthly Fee Statement can be accessed on the docket or on the Debtors' case website at: https://restructuring.ra.kroll.com/purduepharma/Home-Index.

- 12. On May 8, 2023, Cole Schotz filed and served the *Thirty-Sixth Monthly Fee Statement of Cole Schotz P.C. for Compensation for Services Rendered and Reimbursement of Expenses as Co-Counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors for the Period from February 1, 2023 Through February 28, 2023* [ECF No. 5585] (the "Thirty-Sixth Monthly Fee Statement"), pursuant to which Cole Schotz sought payment of (i) \$39,118.05 as compensation for professional services rendered and (ii) \$0.00 for reimbursement of expenses. The objection deadline for the Thirty-Sixth Monthly Fee Statement expired on May 22, 2023.
- On June 1, 2023, Cole Schotz filed and served the *Thirty-Seventh Monthly Fee Statement of Cole Schotz P.C. for Compensation for Services Rendered and Reimbursement of Expenses as Co-Counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors for the Period from March 1, 2023 Through March 30, 2023* [ECF No. 5655] (the "Thirty-Seventh Monthly Fee Statement"), pursuant to which Cole Schotz sought payment of (i) \$46,795.50 as compensation for professional services rendered and (ii) \$3.00 for reimbursement of expenses. The objection deadline for the Thirty-Seventh Monthly Fee Statement expires on June 15, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. (ET).
- 14. On June 14, 2023, Cole Schotz filed and served the *Thirty-Eighth Monthly Fee Statement of Cole Schotz P.C. for Compensation for Services Rendered and Reimbursement of Expenses as Co-Counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors for the Period from April 1, 2023 Through April 30, 2023* [ECF No. 5717] (the "Thirty-Eighth Monthly Fee

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> A copy of the Thirty-Sixth Monthly Fee Statement can be accessed on the docket or on the Debtors' case website at: https://restructuring.ra.kroll.com/purduepharma/Home-Index.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> A copy of the Thirty-Seventh Monthly Fee Statement can be accessed on the docket or on the Debtors' case website at: https://restructuring.ra.kroll.com/purduepharma/Home-Index.

<u>Statement</u>"),<sup>8</sup> pursuant to which Cole Schotz sought payment of (i) \$40,019.40 as compensation for professional services rendered and (ii) \$10.00 for reimbursement of expenses. The objection deadline for the Thirty-Eighth Monthly Fee Statement expires on June 28, 2023.

# SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES REQUESTED

- 15. By this Application, Cole Schotz requests allowance of interim compensation for professional services rendered to the Committee during the Compensation Period in the amount of \$181,797.30 and expense reimbursements of \$1,721.80. During the Compensation Period, Cole Schotz professionals and paraprofessionals expended a total of 330.2 hours for which compensation is sought.
- 16. The fees charged by Cole Schotz in the Chapter 11 Cases are billed in accordance with Cole Schotz's existing billing rates and procedures in effect during the Compensation Period. The rates Cole Schotz charges for the services rendered by its professionals and paraprofessionals in the Chapter 11 Cases are the same rates Cole Schotz charges for professional and paraprofessional services rendered in comparable non-bankruptcy related matters. Such fees are reasonable based on the customary compensation charged by comparably skilled practitioners in comparable non-bankruptcy cases in a competitive national legal market. The disclosures required by the U.S. Trustee Guidelines regarding the customary and comparable compensation are annexed hereto as **Exhibit B**.
- 17. Cole Schotz maintains computerized records of the time spent by all Cole Schotz professionals and paraprofessionals in connection with its representation of the Committee in the Chapter 11 Cases. A summary of compensation by timekeeper is attached hereto in **Exhibit C**,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> A copy of the Thirty-Eighth Monthly Fee Statement can be accessed on the docket or on the Debtors' case website at: https://restructuring.ra.kroll.com/purduepharma/Home-Index.

and a summary of fees by task code against budgeted fees and hours is attached hereto in **Exhibit D**. The itemized time records for Cole Schotz professionals and paraprofessionals performing services for the Committee during the Compensation Period have been filed and served with the Monthly Fee Statements in accordance with the Interim Compensation Order.

- 18. Cole Schotz also maintains records of all actual and necessary out-of-pocket expenses incurred in connection with the rendition of its professional services. A summary of the categories of expenses and amounts for which reimbursement is requested by this Application is attached hereto as **Exhibit E**.
- 19. Cole Schotz's staffing plan for the Compensation Period is attached hereto as **Exhibit F**.

# SUMMARY OF SERVICES PERFORMED BY COLE SCHOTZ DURING THE COMPENSATION PERIOD

- 20. The services provided by Cole Schotz during the Compensation Period were actual and necessary for the administration of the Chapter 11 Cases, performed at the request of Akin Gump and the Committee, and commensurate with the complexity and significance of the matter. Moreover, the variety and complexity of the issues in the Chapter 11 Cases and the need to act or respond to such issues on an expedited basis in furtherance of the Committee's needs and the interests of the Debtors' unsecured creditors required the expenditure of significant time by Cole Schotz professionals and paraprofessionals from numerous legal disciplines during the Compensation Period.
- 21. The following is a summary of the professional services rendered by Cole Schotz during the Compensation Period. This summary is organized in accordance with Cole Schotz's internal system of task codes established at the outset of the Chapter 11 Cases based on the Fee

Guidelines. In classifying services into task codes, Cole Schotz attempted to place the services performed in the category that most closely related to the services provided. The below does not include summaries for certain task codes for which a *de minimis* amount of time was billed during the Compensation Period.

22. Moreover, the following summary of services rendered during the Compensation Period is not intended to be a detailed description of the work performed and does not include certain categories for which minimal time was spent. Rather, it merely is an attempt to highlight certain of those areas in which services were rendered to the Committee, as well as to identify some of the matters and issues that Cole Schotz was required to address during the Compensation Period.

#### A. Cole Schotz Fee Application Matters/Objections

| <b>Total Hours</b> | Fees        |
|--------------------|-------------|
| 37.4               | \$16,403.50 |

23. This category includes time spent by Cole Schotz professionals and paraprofessionals in connection with the preparation of Cole Schotz's monthly and interim fee statements and fee applications. During the compensation period, these efforts included ensuring that the schedules attached to the monthly fee statements complied with the Fee Guidelines, and that such schedules did not contain information that was privileged, confidential or subject to attorney work product protection. To minimize costs in connection with this time-intensive process, Cole Schotz relied on paraprofessionals to prepare the initial drafts of the monthly fee statements, thereby limiting the time spent by professionals on the review of fees, where reasonably practicable.

#### **B.** Committee Matters and Creditor Meetings

| <b>Total Hours</b> | Fees        |
|--------------------|-------------|
| 24.2               | \$16,936.50 |

24. This category includes time spent by Cole Schotz professionals and paraprofessionals: (i) preparing for and participating in meetings and conference calls with the Committee as a whole or with individual members of the Committee, including bi-weekly conference calls with the full Committee; and (ii) communicating with the Committee's other advisors on a day-to-day basis regarding pending matters and case strategy (relative to the tasks for which Cole Schotz has been or is responsible).

#### C. Litigation/Gen. (Except Automatic Stay Relief)

| Total Hours | Fees         |
|-------------|--------------|
| 159.8       | \$108,275.50 |

25. This category includes time spent by Cole Schotz professionals and paraprofessionals in connection with certain litigation matters, most notably conducting discovery and attending to other matters related to the insurance coverage adversary proceeding filed in the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases.

#### D. Preparation for and Conduct Interview and Deposition

| Total Hours | Fees        |
|-------------|-------------|
| 99.1        | \$54,930.50 |

26. This category includes time spent by Cole Schotz professionals and paraprofessionals preparing for and attending depositions held during the Compensation Period in connection with the aforementioned coverage litigation.

#### **ACTUAL AND NECESSARY DISBURSEMENTS**

27. Cole Schotz seeks allowance of reimbursement in the amount of \$1,721.80 for expenses incurred during the Compensation Period in the course of providing professional services

to the Committee. Cole Schotz's disbursement policies pass through all out-of-pocket expenses at actual cost or an estimated actual cost when the actual cost is difficult to determine. For example, as it relates to computerized research, Cole Schotz believes that it does not make a profit on that service as a whole although the cost of any particular search is difficult to ascertain. Other reimbursable expenses (whether the service is performed by Cole Schotz in-house or through a third-party vendor) include, but are not limited to, long-distance calls, overtime meals, deliveries, court costs, transcript fees, discovery and temporary legal staffing services, travel and clerk fees.

#### FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED IN AWARDING ATTORNEYS' FEES

28. Bankruptcy Code section 330 provides, in relevant part, that the Court may award to a professional person "reasonable compensation for actual, necessary services rendered[.]" *See* 11 U.S.C. § 330(a)(1). In turn, Bankruptcy Code section 330 provides as follows:

In determining the amount of reasonable compensation to be awarded, the court shall consider the nature, the extent, and the value of such services, taking into account all relevant factors, including –

- (A) the time spent on such services;
- (B) the rates charged for such services;
- (C) whether the services were necessary to the administration of, or beneficial at the time at which the service was rendered toward the completion of, a case under this title;
- (D) whether the services were performed within a reasonable amount of time commensurate with the complexity, importance, and nature of the problem, issue, or task addressed; and
- (E) with respect to a professional person, whether the person is board certified or otherwise has demonstrated skill and experience in the bankruptcy field; and
- (F) whether the compensation is reasonably based on the customary compensation charged by comparably skilled practitioners in cases other than cases under this title.

11 U.S.C. § 330(a)(3).

- 29. The clear congressional intent and policy expressed in Bankruptcy Code section 330 is to provide for adequate compensation in order to continue to attract qualified and competent bankruptcy practitioners to bankruptcy cases. *In re Drexel Burnham Lambert Grp., Inc.*, 133 B.R. 13, 20 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 1991) ("Congress" objective in requiring that the market, not the Court, establish attorneys" rates was to ensure that bankruptcy cases were staffed by appropriate legal specialists."); *see also In re Busy Beaver Bldg. Ctrs., Inc.*, 19 F.3d 833, 850 (3d. Cir. 1994) ("Congress rather clearly intended to provide sufficient economic incentive to lure competent bankruptcy specialists to practice in the bankruptcy courts.") (citations and internal quotation marks omitted).
- 30. In assessing the "reasonableness" of the fees requested, the Second Circuit has stated that courts should consider the factors enumerated in *Johnson v. Ga. Highway Express, Inc.*, while also incorporating the "lodestar method." *See Arbor Hill Concerned Citizens Neighborhood Ass'n v. County of Albany and Albany County Bd. of Elections*, 522 F.3d 182, 190 (2d Cir. 2007) (citing *Johnson v. Ga. Highway Express, Inc.*, 488 F.2d 714 (5th Cir.1974), *abrogated on other grounds by Blanchard v. Bergeron*, 489 U.S. 87, 92–93, 96 (1989)). The "lodestar method" of calculating the reasonable fee contemplates "the number of hours reasonably expended . . . multiplied by a reasonable hourly rate." *See Hensley v. Eckerhart et al.*, 461 U.S. 424, 433 (1983); *Gisbrecht v. Barnhart*, 535 U.S. 789, 801 (2002); *Perdue v. Kenny A.*, 130 S.Ct. 1662, 1672 (2010); *In re Drexel Burnham Lambert Grp., Inc.* 133 B.R. 13 (Bankr. S.D. N.Y. 1991). The factors set forth in *Johnson* and *In re First Colonial Corp. of Am.*, 544 F.2d 1291, 1298–99 (5th Cir. 1977) have been adopted by most courts. *See In re Nine Assocs., Inc.*, 76 B.R. 943, 945 (S.D.N.Y. 1987)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> The factors articulated by the Fifth Circuit in *First Colonial* were first articulated by the Fifth Circuit in *Johnson*, with the *First Colonial* court adding the factor of the "spirit of economy," which was later rejected by Congress. *See* 

(adopting First Colonial/Johnson analysis); In re Cuisine Magazine, Inc., 61 B.R. 210, 212–13 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y 1986) (same); Green v. City of New York, 403 Fed. Appx. 626, 629 (2d Cir. 2010) (summary order); see generally 3 Collier on Bankruptcy ¶ 330.03[9] (Lawrence P. King ed., 16th ed. 2016) (describing First Colonial and Johnson as the "leading cases to be considered in determining a reasonable allowance of compensation").

- 31. Cole Schotz respectfully submits that a consideration of these factors should result in the Court's allowance of the full compensation sought in this Application.
  - a. <u>Time and Labor Required</u>. Cole Schotz billed a total of 315.5 hours of professional services and 14.7 hours of paraprofessional and other non-legal services during the Compensation Period. As evidenced by this Application, Cole Schotz professionals and paraprofessionals worked diligently and efficiently without unnecessary duplication of efforts throughout the Compensation Period. Cole Schotz's representation of the Committee has required it to balance the need to provide quality services with the need to act quickly and represent the Committee in an effective, efficient and timely manner. Cole Schotz submits that the hours spent were reasonable given the size and complexity of the Chapter 11 Cases, the significant—and often urgent—legal and business issues raised in the Chapter 11 Cases.
  - b. Novelty and Difficulty of the Questions. Cole Schotz tasked knowledgeable attorneys to research, analyze and provide advice on difficult and complex bankruptcy, litigation, tax, trusts and estates, insurance and other issues, most notably of which is the Committee's investigation into potential estate claims and causes of action against certain third-party litigation targets.
  - c. Skill Requisite to Perform the Legal Services Properly. Cole Schotz believes that its recognized expertise in the area of corporate reorganization, its ability to draw from highly experienced professionals in other areas of Cole Schotz's practice and its creative approach to the resolution of issues has contributed to the administration of the Chapter 11 Cases and benefited the Debtors and the Committee. Due to the nature and complexity of the legal issues presented by the Chapter 11 Cases, Cole Schotz was required to exhibit a high degree of legal skill in areas related to, *inter alia*, bankruptcy, litigation, trusts, and tax. Additionally, Cole Schotz's strong working relationship with the legal and financial advisors to other parties in interest enabled Cole Schotz to work with

Stroock & Stroock & Lavan v. Hillsborough Holdings Corp. (In re Hillsborough Holdings Corp.), 127 F.3d 1398, 1403 (11th Cir. 1997).

such advisors towards a swift, consensual resolution of many of the salient issues in the Chapter 11 Cases.

- d. Preclusion of Other Employment by Applicant Due to Acceptance of the Case. Due to the size of Cole Schotz's financial restructuring and litigation departments, Cole Schotz's representation of the Committee did not preclude its acceptance of new clients, but the demands for immediate and substantive action in the Chapter 11 Cases imposed significant burdens on Cole Schotz professionals and paraprofessionals working concurrently on other matters.
- e. <u>Customary Fee</u>. The rates Cole Schotz charges for the services rendered by its professionals and paraprofessionals in the Chapter 11 Cases are the same rates Cole Schotz charges for professional and paraprofessional services rendered in comparable non-bankruptcy matters. Cole Schotz's fee structure also is equivalent to the fee structure used by Cole Schotz for restructuring, workout, bankruptcy, insolvency and comparable matters, as well as similar complex corporate and litigation matters, whether in-court or otherwise, regardless of whether a fee application is required. The firm's customary hourly rates and rate structure reflect that restructuring and related matters typically involve great complexity, numerous tasks requiring a high level of expertise and severe time pressures, as is the case here. Cole Schotz's rate structure is similar to the rate structure used by other, similar law firms that work on other, similar matters.
- f. Whether the Fee Is Fixed or Contingent. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Code sections 330 and 331, all fees sought by professionals employed under Bankruptcy Code section 1103 are contingent pending final approval by the Court and are subject to adjustment depending upon the services rendered and the results obtained. The contingency of full and actual compensation to Cole Schotz increased the risk Cole Schotz was assuming by representing the Committee in the Chapter 11 Cases.
- g. <u>Time Limitations Imposed by the Client or Other Circumstances</u>. As previously set forth herein, Cole Schotz was required to attend to certain issues arising in the Chapter 11 Cases under compressed timelines. For example, Cole Schotz and the Committee's other advisors were faced with limited time in which to evaluate the Debtors' approach to these unprecedented Chapter 11 Cases, including the need to evaluate potentially valuable claims and causes of action. The tremendous efforts of Cole Schotz professionals and paraprofessionals in completing this work permitted the Committee to address effectively various issues for the benefit of the Debtors' unsecured creditors.
- h. <u>Amount Involved and Results Obtained</u>. Cole Schotz professionals and paraprofessionals worked diligently to maximize value for the Debtors' estates

and creditors. During the Compensation Period, and as described in the summary of services herein, Cole Schotz was instrumental in analyzing potential sources of recovery for the benefit of unsecured creditors. In particular, Cole Schotz's efforts in connection with, among other things, the Committee's investigation into the Sackler family, has been instrumental in ultimately preserving value for the benefit of all creditor constituencies. Cole Schotz submits that the fees requested in this Application are reasonable and appropriate.

- i. Experience, Reputation and Ability of Attorneys. Cole Schotz is a law firm that consistently is recognized as a top tier law firm in the field of creditors' rights, business reorganizations and liquidations under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. During the Compensation Period, Cole Schotz solicited the skill and expertise of its professionals and paraprofessionals. Cole Schotz professionals have actively represented creditors and creditors' committees, as well as other parties in interest, in a number of the nation's largest chapter 11 cases. Cole Schotz's extensive experience enables it to perform the services described herein competently and expeditiously. In addition to its expertise in the area of corporate reorganization, Cole Schotz has called upon the expertise of its partners and associates in other practice areas to perform the wide-ranging scope of the legal work necessitated by the Chapter 11 Cases, as described above.
- j. <u>"Undesirability" of the Cases</u>. This factor is not applicable to the Chapter 11 Cases.
- k. <u>Nature and Length of Professional Relationship</u>. Cole Schotz has been rendering professional services to the Committee since it was selected as counsel to the Committee on February 24, 2020.
- 32. For the reasons set forth above, the services rendered by Cole Schotz were necessary and beneficial to the Committee and consistently performed in a timely manner. The compensation sought in this Application is reasonable in light of the value of such services to the Committee and all unsecured creditors, Cole Schotz's demonstrated skill and expertise in the bankruptcy field (as well as other areas of expertise relevant to the Chapter 11 Cases) and the customary compensation charged by comparably skilled practitioners at Cole Schotz. Accordingly, Cole Schotz respectfully submits that the Court should approve the compensation for professional services and reimbursement of expenses sought herein.

33. No agreement or understanding exists between Cole Schotz and any other person for the sharing of any compensation to be received for professional services rendered or to be rendered in connection with the Chapter 11 Cases. No prior application has been made in this Court or in any other court for the relief requested herein as it relates to the Compensation Period.

#### ATTORNEY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO U.S. TRUSTEE GUIDELINES

34. The following is provided in response to the request for additional information set forth in  $\P$  C.5 of the U.S. Trustee Guidelines.

**Question**: Did you agree to any variations from, or alternatives to, your standard or customary billing rates, fees or terms for services pertaining to this engagement that were provided during the application period? If so, please explain.

Response: Yes. Upon its selection as substitute efficiency counsel on February 24, 2020, Cole Schotz agreed to write off all fees related to the initial retention of Cole Schotz. Further, effective January 1, 2022, Cole Schotz agreed to reduce its monthly fees incurred in this matter by ten-percent (10%).

**Question**: If the fees sought in this fee application as compared to the fees budgeted for the time period covered by this fee application are higher by 10% or more, did you discuss the reasons for the variation with the client?

Response: Not applicable.

**Question**: Have any of the professionals included in this fee application varied their hourly rate based on the geographic location of the bankruptcy case?

Response: No.

Question: Does the fee application include time or fees related to reviewing or revising time records or preparing, reviewing, or revising invoices? (This is limited to work involved in preparing and editing billing records that would not be compensable outside of bankruptcy and does not include reasonable fees for preparing a fee application.). If so, please quantify by hours and fees.

Response: No.

**Question**: Does this fee application include time or fees for reviewing time records to redact any privileged or other confidential information? If so, please quantify by hours and fees.

Response: No.

**Question**: If the fee application includes any rate increases since retention: (i) Did your client

review and approve those rate increases in advance? (ii) Did your client agree when retaining the law firm to accept all future rate increases? If not, did you inform your client that they need not agree to modified rates or terms in order to have you continue the representation, consistent with ABA Formal Ethics Opinion 11-458?

Response: Yes, Cole Schotz's rates were adjusted on September 1, 2022, per Cole Schotz's

standard business practice. The Committee was informed at the outset of Cole Schotz's engagement that rates are adjusted annually on September 1 and the Committee approved the adjustment that took effect during the Compensation Period. Cole Schotz filed a notice of these fee increases on August 29, 2022. *See* 

ECF No. 5043.

#### **RESERVATION OF RIGHTS**

To the extent that there are services rendered or expenses incurred that relate to the Compensation Period but were not processed prior to the preparation of the Application, Cole Schotz reserves the right to request additional compensation for such services and reimbursement of such expenses in a future application.

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#### **CONCLUSION**

WHEREFORE, Cole Schotz respectfully requests: (i) an interim allowance of compensation for professional services rendered during the Compensation Period in the amount of \$181,797.30 and expense reimbursement in the amount of \$1,721.80; (ii) the allowance of such compensation for professional services rendered and reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses incurred be without prejudice to Cole Schotz's right to seek additional compensation for services performed and expenses incurred during the Compensation Period which were not processed at the time of the Application; and (iii) such other and further relief as the Court deems just, proper and equitable.

Dated: June 14, 2023 New York, New York AKIN GUMP STRAUSS HAUER & FELD LLP

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# **EXHIBIT A**

### CERTIFICATION OF JUSTIN R. ALBERTO

| UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT |
|--------------------------------|
| SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK  |

| In re: | : | Chapter 11 |
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PURDUE PHARMA L.P., et al., : Case No. 19-23649 (SHL)

Debtors. 1 : (Jointly Administered)

\_\_\_\_\_:

CERTIFICATION UNDER THE FEE GUIDELINES IN RESPECT OF THE TENTH INTERIM FEE APPLICATION OF COLE SCHOTZ AS CO-COUNSEL TO THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS FOR ALLOWANCE OF COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2023

THROUGH AND INCLUDING APRIL 30, 2023

- I, Justin R. Alberto, hereby certify that:
- 1. I am a partner with Cole Schotz,<sup>2</sup> with responsibility for the Chapter 11 Cases of the above captioned Debtors. Cole Schotz is co-counsel to Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of Purdue Pharma, L.P. and its affiliated debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors").
- In accordance with the Fee Guidelines, this certification is made with respect to the Application for interim allowance of compensation and reimbursement of expenses incurred during the Compensation Period.
  - 3. In respect of section B.1 of the Local Guidelines, I certify that:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Debtors in these cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's registration number in the applicable jurisdiction, are as follows: Purdue Pharma L.P. (7484), Purdue Pharma Inc. (7486), Purdue Transdermal Technologies L.P. (1868), Purdue Pharma Manufacturing L.P. (3821), Purdue Pharmaceuticals L.P. (0034), Imbrium Therapeutics L.P. (8810), Adlon Therapeutics L.P. (6745), Greenfield BioVentures L.P. (6150), Seven Seas Hill Corp. (4591), Ophir Green Corp. (4594), Purdue Pharma of Puerto Rico (3925), Avrio Health L.P. (4140), Purdue Pharmaceutical Products L.P. (3902), Purdue Neuroscience Company (4712), Nayatt Cove Lifescience Inc. (7805), Button Land L.P. (7502), Rhodes Associates L.P. (N/A), Paul Land Inc. (7425), Quidnick Land L.P. (7584), Rhodes Pharmaceuticals L.P. (6166), Rhodes Technologies (7143), UDF L.P. (0495), SVC Pharma L.P. (5717) and SVC Pharma Inc. (4014). The Debtors' corporate headquarters is located at One Stamford Forum, 201 Tresser Boulevard, Stamford, CT 06901.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used herein but otherwise not defined shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Application.

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a. I have read the Application;

b. to the best of my knowledge, information and belief formed after reasonable

inquiry, the fees and disbursements sought fall within the Fee Guidelines;

c. the fees and disbursements sought are billed at rates in accordance with those customarily charged by Cole Schotz and generally accepted by Cole

Schotz's clients; and

d. in providing a reimbursable service, Cole Schotz does not make a profit on

that service, whether the service is performed by Cole Schotz in-house or

through a third party.

4. In accordance with section B.2 of the Local Guidelines and as required by the

Interim Compensation Order, I certify that Cole Schotz has complied with those provisions

requiring it to provide the Debtors and the Committee with a statement of Cole Schotz's fees and

disbursements accrued during the previous month, although, due to administrative limitations,

such statements were not always provided within the timeframe set forth in the Local Guidelines

or the Interim Compensation Order.

5. In respect of section B.3 of the Local Guidelines, I certify that the Debtors, the U.S.

Trustee and the members of the Committee are each being provided with a copy of the Application.

Dated: Wilmington, Delaware

June 14, 2023

By: /s/ Justin R. Alberto

Justin R. Alberto

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# EXHIBIT B

# CUSTOMARY AND COMPARABLE COMPENSATION DISCLOSURE

The aggregate hourly rate for all Cole Schotz Delaware, New Jersey and New York non-bankruptcy timekeepers (including both attorneys and paralegals) (the "Non-Bankruptcy Blended Rate") for the year ending December 31, 2022 (the "Comparable Period") was \$525.13 per hour, and the aggregate hourly rate for all Cole Schotz Delaware, New Jersey and New York bankruptcy timekeepers (including both attorneys and paralegals) (the "Bankruptcy Blended Rate") for the Comparable Period was \$551.85 per hour.

The blended hourly rate for all Cole Schotz timekeepers (including both attorneys and paralegals) who provided services to the Debtors during the Fee Period was approximately \$611.74 per hour.

| Category of<br>Timekeeper | 2022<br>Bankruptcy<br>Blended Rate | 2022 Non-<br>Bankruptcy<br>Blended Rate | Application Period<br>Blended Rate |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| Member                    | \$716.51                           | \$638.30                                | \$692.27                           |
| Special Counsel           | \$0.00                             | \$622.26                                | N/A                                |
| Associate                 | \$426.79                           | \$386.42                                | \$405.38                           |
| Paralegal                 | \$326.48                           | \$311.67                                | \$355.00                           |
| Aggregate                 | \$551.85                           | \$525.13                                | \$611.74                           |

### **EXHIBIT C**

### SUMMARY OF COMPENSATION BY TIMEKEEPER

| Name of<br>Professional<br>Person            | Date of Bar<br>Admission | Position with the<br>Applicant and<br>Number of Years<br>in that Position | Hourly Billing<br>Rate | Total Billed<br>Hours | Total<br>Compensation |
|--|--------------------------|---|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Justin R. Alberto                            | 2008                     | Member<br>(Bankruptcy)<br>(since 2020)                                    | \$740.00               | 29.1                  | \$21,534.00           |
| Patrick J. Reilley                           | 2003                     | Member (Bankruptcy) (since 2011)  | \$730.00               | 3.2                   | \$2,336.00            |
| Anthony De Leo                               | 2013                     | Associate<br>(Bankruptcy)<br>(since 2020)                                 | \$685.00               | 207.8                 | \$142,343.00          |
| Ian R. Phillips                              | 2015                     | Associate (Litigation) (since 2016)                                       | \$480.00               | 15.6                  | \$7,488.00            |
| Jack M. Dougherty                            | 2021                     | Associate<br>(Bankruptcy)<br>(since 2020)                                 | \$400.00               | 20.5                  | \$8,200.00            |
| Michael E. Fitzpatrick                       | 2022                     | Associate<br>(Bankruptcy)<br>(since 2020)                                 | \$400.00               | 5.6                   | \$2,240.00            |
| Conor D. McMullan                            | 2019                     | Associate<br>(Bankruptcy)<br>(since 2022)                                 | \$375.00               | 33.7                  | \$12,637.50           |
| Larry Morton                                 | N/A                      | Paralegal<br>(Bankruptcy)<br>(since 2020)                                 | \$355.00               | 14.7                  | \$\$5,218.50          |
| TOTAL  |                          |   |                        | 330.2                 | \$201,997.00          |
| Less Voluntary Reduction (10%) <sup>16</sup> |                          |   |                        |                       | (\$20,199.70)         |
| Total Requested                              |                          |   |                        |                       | \$181,797.30          |

 $<sup>^{16}</sup>$  Effective January 1, 2022, Cole Schotz agreed to reduce its monthly fees incurred in this matter by tenpercent (10%).

# EXHIBIT D

# SUMMARY OF COMPENSATION BY TASK CODE AGAINST BUDGETED HOURS AND FEES

| Matter   | Budgeted<br>Hours | Budgeted<br>Fees             | Total<br>Hours | Total Fees    |
|--|-------------------|------------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Asset Dispositions, Sales,                           | 0                 | \$0.00                       |                |               |
| Use, and Leases                                      |                   |                              | 1.7            | \$1,164.50    |
| (Section 363)  |                   |                              |                |               |
| Case Administration                                  | 5                 | \$3,000.00                   | 0.8            | \$399.50      |
| Committee Matters and                                | 25                | \$15,000.00                  | 24.2           | \$16,936.50   |
| Creditor Meetings                                    | 10                | <b># 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6</b> |                | ŕ             |
| Creditor Inquiries                                   | 10                | \$6,000.00                   | 1.8            | \$1,321.00    |
| Fee Application Matters/Objections                   | 50                | \$30,000.00                  | 37.4           | \$16,403.50   |
| General  | 5                 | \$3,000.00                   | 2.5            | \$937.50      |
| Litigation/Gen. (Except<br>Automatic Stay Relief)    | 200               | \$120,000.00                 | 159.8          | \$108,275.50  |
| Preferences and Avoidance<br>Actions                 | 5                 | \$3,000.00                   | 0.8            | \$300.00      |
| Preparation for and<br>Attendance at Hearings        | 5                 | \$3,000.00                   | 2.1            | \$1,328.50    |
| Prepare for and Conduct<br>Interview and Depositions | 150               | \$90,000.00                  | 99.1           | \$54,930.50   |
| TOTAL BUDGETED:                                      | 455               | \$273,000.00                 | 330.2          | \$201,997.00  |
| Less Voluntary Reduction (10%):                      | N/A               | N/A                          |                | (\$20,199.70) |
| <b>Total Requested:</b>                              | N/A               | N/A                          |                | \$181,797.30  |

### **EXHIBIT E**

#### SUMMARY OF EXPENSES BY CATEGORY

| Disbursement Activity            | Amount (\$) |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Photocopying/Printing/Scanning   | \$32.00     |
| Travel – Air Fare                | \$720.80    |
| Travel - Lodging                 | \$969.00    |
| <b>Total Expenses Requested:</b> | \$1,721.80  |

# TRAVEL EXPENSE SUMMARY

| Date of Charge | Amount           | Expense Description                            | Timekeeper     |
|----------------|------------------|--|----------------|
| 11/08/2022     | \$315.00         | Return Flight from Deposition of Linda Schultz | Anthony De Leo |
| 11/11/2022     | \$969.00         | Hotel Room for Deposition of Linda Schultz     | Anthony De Leo |
| 1/24/2023      | \$405.80         | Flights for Deposition of Sonia<br>Odarczenko  | Anthony De Leo |
| To             | otal: \$1,689.80 |  |                |

# EXHIBIT F

# STAFFING PLAN

| Category of Timekeeper     | Number of Timekeepers Expected<br>to Work on Matter During the<br>Compensation Period | Average Hourly<br>Rate |
|----------------------------|---|------------------------|
| Partner                    | 5   | \$440.00 to \$990.00   |
| Senior Counsel and Counsel | 0   | N/A                    |
| Associate                  | 5   | \$285.00 to \$535.00   |
| Staff Attorneys and        | 1   | \$210.00 to \$330.00   |
| Paraprofessionals          |   |                        |